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Governing Board Write-In Candidates Needed for General Election

(Phoenix) — Maricopa County Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Sandra E. Dowling, is asking community members to take an active role in the education of their children. Dr. Dowling urges interested community members to run as write-in candidates for open school district governing board seats during the November 2nd, 2004, General Election.

In Maricopa County, there are 57 school districts (171 seats total) holding a governing board election on November 2nd, 2004. As of August 30th, 2004, eleven school districts continue to have seats with no candidates to run during these elections. Those are: **Aguila Elementary** (Two 2-yr seats & Two 4-yr seats), **Alhambra Elementary** (4-yr seat), **Avondale Elementary** (2-yr seat), **Balsz Elementary** (4-yr seat), **Fowler Elementary** (2-yr seat), **Mobile Elementary** (2-yr seat), **Osborn Elementary** (2-yr seat) **Paloma Elementary** (Two 2-yr seats & One 1-yr seat) **Saddle Mountain Unified** (2-yr seat) **Union Elementary** (Two 2-yr seats) and **Western Maricopa Education Center** (Two 2-yr seats).

To qualify as a governing board member, applicants must have lived in the school district for at least one year and be registered to vote in Arizona. Please note that according to state statute, no employee of a school district nor their spouse may hold membership on a Governing Board of a school district by which they are employed.

The deadline for filing to run as a write-in candidate for a school district governing board is Thursday, September 23rd, 2004 at 5:00 p.m.

If you would like to request an informational packet regarding a write-in candidacy, or have further questions regarding school district elections, please contact the Superintendent of Schools office at 602-506-3866.